THIS RACIST BRITAIN

Here are the facts

Workers deported

EBRAHIM DHANJI, a Peterborough hospital worker, has been told he cannot work there any more.

He is to be deported to Uganda, where he fears victimisation and perhaps, even murder by the government, the fate of so many other Ugandan Asians.

In Baby Oak Hospital, Birmingham, two nurses who have trained here are told they cannot work here. They are to be deported to the West Indies.

The Department of Employment admits: We are rejecting many applications for work permits by foreign workers. We have to safeguard the jobs of resident people.

Baby murdered

AT London's Heathrow Airport last month, Zahira Gahi, just arrived from India, was forced to have her baby in an airport lounge after immigration officials claimed her documents were not in order. Security guards stood by and laughed while she screamed in pain.

The baby died.

Activists hounded

ASIANS who fight back against racism are being increasingly harassed by police as 'illegal immigrants'.

Last month the police arrested Mohinda Singh, chairman of Kent Workers Against Racism, in this way. Last weekend they took Rupi Ahluwalia. Rupi is one of the Southall roofers who fought so magnificently against racism in Southall after the killing of Gurdip Kaur Chaggar in Southall this summer. He is now in Pentonville Prison.

Old woman burnt

A WOMAN of 76, Mohan Dev Gaitam, was dragged from her home in Leamington in September and her clothes set alight. Then her burning body was dumped back in the house.

Before she died, she told her family the attack had been carried out by two white youths.

Racism is rife in Leamington.

Robert Ruff, the Nazi who put up the sign 'For sale to an English family', lives there. But the police are still treating the case as 'suicide'.

You'll find horror stories like these all over Britain. The economic crisis is hitting every worker hard.

A million workers and their families who have come to this country since the war are hit even harder. Why? Because their skin is black or brown. Racism feeds off economic crisis. It is the most dangerous poison for the working-class movement. It weakens unity and solidarity. It sets worker against worker, and leaves the factories and workplaces open for employers' plunder.

It has got to be defeated.

☐ THIS SUNDAY: Demonstrate against racism.


All branches of the International Socialists to support.

☐ THIS SATURDAY: Demonstrate at the IMMIGRATION CENTRES, HEATHROW AIRPORT, London.

Coaches leave from car park at rear of the Dominion Cinema, Southall, 1.30pm. All London SW supporters urged to attend.
If you think the National Front are not anti-Jewish, read this...

DAVE DIREKTOR

METRA GLENN, one of the 20 people arrested during September's anti-fascist demonstration in Waltham, has been found guilty of assaulting a policeman. Her vicarious attacks on the court 'horrors', promised of taking off a Socialist Petrol Group policeman's glasses while he was trying to arrest a machete-wielding woman for this she was fined £50. With £25 costs.

RED SMOKE GOES ON... AND ON

MCARTHUR is alive and well and living in Harlesden. The latest report of fire-fighting by six young black women charged with assaulting the police has come up big on red smoke campus. Last week, the prosecution barrister referred to a feather... which was portrayed by Carol Greens. A play written by black women, for black women, for their empowerment. The play was performed in Harlesden, showing the story of the struggle of black women in the underground community, and that black lives matter, not being taken seriously. The message of the play resonated with the audience.

CAROL GRIFFES was told on her home address that the police were coming to her house. The police entered the house and took away all the documents from the house. The police also seized the computer and the laptop from the house. The police also searched the house for any illegal material. The police also searched the house for any illegal material.

The night Enoch Powell didn't make a racist speech

A GREAT VICTORY! That last Friday demonstration against Enoch Powell's appearance on the radio programme Any Questions.

Shocking 20 others had obtained tickets and were inside. Powell had continually called for the protection of black workers and their families. His racist speeches have stirred up white workers and called for racist attacks. Also taking part in the programme was 'left wing' trade unionist.

What a success!

ROCK AGAINST RACISM now have more petrol for the poor to last Friday. And what a success! 350 people turned up at the event in East London to hear Carol Grimes and the London Block Band, who gave a fantastic performance. Carol Grimes was joined on stage by an excellent young black male, who shared his experiences of racism.

Other benefits and events are planned.
AND THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT SCROUNGING!

A MASSIVE campaign is under way to cut the dole.

It is led by Ralph Howell, a wealthy Tory MP who farms 700 acres in Norfolk. He is also an underwriter at Lloyd's. The minimum income for a Lloyd's underwriter is £75,000 a year (after all liabilities, like tax), so you won't find these facts on the front pages of the newspapers or hear them on the radio.

You won't even get the figures the government itself gives for the pitiful level of dole payments. Figures which reveal how hundreds of thousands of families, millions of men, women and children, are living on the verge of poverty.

The Ministry of Social Security has pointed out that:

% THE FIGURES bandied about in the papers include earnings-related benefit. Where this is received it has been earned by contributions paid by the man when he was working.
% THE INCREASE in benefits just makes up for the loss through price rises of the last year.
% THREE-QUARTERS of the unemployed are earning less than the figures bandied about in some newspapers.
% MEANS-TESTED benefits included in the figures are not received by many of the unemployed.
% THE INCREASE in benefits just makes up for the loss through price rises of the last year.
% ONLY 14 per cent of the £1,400 million increase goes to the unemployed—there goes the rest.

So what are the papers and the Tory MPs on about?
They give the game away when they complain that the unemployed won't accept any job, however low-paid, that is offered to them.

The campaign about so-called 'scroungers' is a campaign to force the unemployed to grovel before the Ralph Howells of this world, begging for miserable jobs at 19th-century rates of pay.

What the unemployed feel about it

THEOPHILE JULEN 64, came to Britain from St Lucia in the West Indies 16 years ago when the four British-owned sugar factories on the island closed.

He managed to get a place in one go, he said. That was the only industry on the island. What else could we do but come to Britain? There was nowhere else.

Since then he has worked and paid taxes in Britain, until two months ago when the tea factory where he worked for closed down.

He, his wife and 12-year-old son live on about £40 a week, that is £22 per week and his son has the money his wife earns.

HELP US KEEP THE PRESSURE ON AGAINST THE RACISTS

SW to fight election

Socialist Worker is in contest the parliamentary by-election to take place early next month in Ashton, Nottingahm and the seat of Labour MP, David Langlands, to reunite, where he will get a massive majority as assistant to Roy Jenkins.

Another disgrace, Labour

MARK HOBENBALL, a young American-born journalist working for Time Out and the London Evening News, is to be deported by the Labour government. His presence here is not conducive to national security.

Mark Hobenball's crime is that he contributed to the uncovering of the activities of MI5, MI6, and their front organisation, the Institute for the Study of Conflict.

The last Labour government engaged in a disgraceful campaign of harassment of the injured German student activist Rudi Dutschke.

Now their victim is to be turned on Mark Hobenball, Socialist Worker invites its readers to join in the vigorous protest against this disgrace.
BUILD THE SOCIALIST ALTERNATIVE!

\[\text{ANOTHER 113 NEW MEMBERS}\]

\[\text{MORE AND MORE PEOPLE are joining the International Socialists.}\]

\[\text{In the first two weeks of November, 113 people signed up—a weekly average higher than the record 50-a-week in October.}\]

\[\text{In Newcastle, as a result of the election campaign, there are 33 more IS members now than there were a month ago. From Glasgow, in the last two weeks, 30 people have sent in registration forms, 20 of them manual workers.}\]

\[\text{LETTER}\]

Their letter, explaining why they joined the International Socialists, reads:

\[\text{6 Climbers, until a few weeks ago the last settlement in the area of some 1500 people, were the only inhabitants of the territory. The area was one of the last to be settled by the Karl Marx Commune and the residents were mostly farmers.}\]

\[\text{We have willed the International Socialists Party and, this evening, instead of joining in discussing our joint enterprises, in pointless discussion, we are asking you to instruct your local Socialists to join in the real fight for Socialism on the real soil.}\]

\[\text{Which end?}\]

\[\text{Like us, you will have been reading the news in the last few weeks and have probably been appalled by the situation in the Middle East.}\]

\[\text{The war is not going to end any time soon. The Western powers are using it to make profits, and to show the world that they are the only ones who can control the situation.}\]

\[\text{The fighting continues and the situation is getting worse every day.}\]

\[\text{We are calling on all those who support the International Socialists to join in the real fight for Socialism on the real soil.}\]

\[\text{WHERE WE STAND}\]

\[\text{INDEPENDENT WORKING CLASS ACTION}\]

\[\text{The workers create all the wealth under capitalism. A new society can only be constructed when they collectively seize control of that wealth and plan its production and distribution.}\]

\[\text{REVOLUTION NOT REFORM}\]

\[\text{The present system cannot be patched up, or reformed, as the Labour and trade union leaders say. It has to be overthrown.}\]

\[\text{SOCIALIST WORKER is a revolutionary paper that seeks to organise its supporters around the following principles:}\]

\[\text{1. The workers' movement must be independent of the state.}\]

\[\text{2. Workers' control of the means of production and distribution must be organised.}\]

\[\text{3. The international working class must be united.}\]

\[\text{If you want to know more about Socialist Worker and the International Socialists, fill in the form on page 15.}\]
**The ‘Peace’ Movement that backs armed terror**

**By STEVE BERRY**

**POLITICAL meetings about Ireland have been banned from London’s Trafalgar Square for four years.**

But next weekend, 27 November, an exception has been made—for a rally by the Northern Ireland ‘Peace Movement’.

And already the press are giving it a big build-up. Why?

**Forced**

The answer lies with the movement’s policies and supporters. Launched in August amidst a blur of publicity, its message was simple enough—and it caught the imagination of Catholics and Protestants. But it has recently run into difficulties, it has been forced to say what it means by ‘peace’.

And that means different things to different people. For most Protestants, it means a greater degree of discrimination which they constantly suffer.

**Wrecked**

Out of Northern Ireland’s population of 3½ million, there are 60,000 people out of work and 450,000 living in what is officially recognised as ‘unemployment’. Most of these are Catholics, although they number only a third of the population.

The ‘Peace’ leader Barry Williams—and the violence he supports—

And so ‘peace’ for the Protestants is not peace for the Catholics. This problem has wrecked all previous attempts at peace in Northern Ireland.

The ‘peace movement’ couldn’t sit on the fence for ever. It has chosen to back the settlement’s statesmen and the presence of British troops.

**Image**

In other words, it has chosen to support the largest armed group in Ireland—the British army. That’s why the Labour government is allowing them and those outside, to use Trafalgar Square for meetings in Ireland.

No one should be fooled by the prime image of the movement’s leaders. Neither Betty Williams nor Mairead Corrigan is your typical working woman.

**PICKET THE ‘PEACE’ MOVEMENT**

Assembly Noon, Saturday 27 November, Speakers Corner, Marble Arch, London.

**GRAND FUND-RAISING BENEFIT SOCIAL:**

Wednesday 3 December, 8pm, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), Malet Street, London, W1. The Derricks and real ale.

**SOUTHERN AFRICA SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN, 101-103, Gower Street, London, W1.**

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**SOUTHERN AFRICA SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN**

**BULLETIN:** First issue out now. Articles on Transkei, black trade unions under apartheid, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, racism at Heathrow Airport. London. 10p a copy plus 10p postage.

**POSTER:** With space for details of local activities. Two colours, £1 for 50.

**COVENTRY:** Wednesday 24 November. General Wolfe pub, Solihull Heath. 7:30pm. Speaker: Alex Callinicos and ZIPA speaker.

**SHEFFIELD:** Thursday 2 December. Watch for details.

**BIRMINGHAM:** Sunday 5 December. ZIPA speaker. Watch for details.

**PICKET:** Annual general meeting of Consolidated Goldfields, one of the biggest exporters of South Africa, Monday 22 November, 11.30pm. The Dorchester, Park Lane, London, W1.

**BRIXTON:** public meeting; Tuesday 23 November, 7.30pm. Aving Centre, 7 Gipsford Road, London SW2. Organised by Brixton SAS committee.

**DEMONSTRATION:** Saturday 27 November, 1.30pm, outside Brixton Town Hall.

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**WHEN IS A MURDERER NOT A MURDERER?**

When he calls himself president of the United States.

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**WHEN YOU HATE THE SHAH, BEWARE...**

The HEAD of the Iranian secrecy unit, known as the SAVAK, was shot and wounded recently. The following day French police raided houses and detained a number of Iranians ‘not as suspects but simply as known agents of the Iranian regime’.

Four have since been expelled from France and two charged with attempted murder—even though a French group has publicly claimed responsibility.

It is clear that the French government are using this shooting as a pretext to please the Shah, with whom they recently signed a massive trade deal.

A picket in protest is being organised by the Campaign Against Repression in Iran (C.A.R.I.) on Wednesday 24 November, between 1 and 3 pm, outside the French Embassy (1, Knightsbridge).
In a capitalist society, more investment does not necessarily mean more jobs. The government itself tells us that, over the last ten years, two million jobs in industry have disappeared.

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without any announcement, we are at the end of an era. The Cuts are no longer just a piece of government budgeting, they are the code-word for a social counter-revolution.

They mean a harsher, crueler, meaner Britain. A dismal new world based on a million-strong army of permanently worthless in in walking the streets between empty factories and offices.

They demand that the great public services that provide our transport and fuel are run purely for profit.

They mean an end to the Welfare State, the health services pruned back to the roots, the education system wrecked round to fit the exact needs of industry, social security payments nearly worthless with the bonus of the Poor Law showing through.

It's the end of cheap food... of cheap anything, and the beginning of charges for everything. A world of rationing without ration books, where shortages are caused not by natural disaster but by man-made speculation.

It's those most in need who are the first to suffer. Those who have the least have the most taken away.

The cold have their meters cut off, the sick are forced out of the ever fewer hospitals, the poorest have to endure endless waiting, insulting rules and humiliating cross-questioning.

**Shortage**

Once upon a time, education was a way of enriching people's minds, planned housing and transport a way of bettering our lives. A national health service was an alternative to medical greed in a field where commercial principles were seen at their worse.

New profit rules, the IMF gives the orders and common humanity has become an expense account item.

The Electricity Board turned its loss into a profit by increasing prices and disconnections. Computers don't know feelings. they don't weep because 20,000 old people died unnecessarily last year because they could not afford to keep warm.

And the men from the IMF didn't come home exhausted in crowded trains to hideous damp tower blocks, don't have to wait, endlessly wait, for a bus, for a job, for a Giro form to arrive. The only health service certain to increase next year is the tranquilliser bill.

In his book Hard Times, Charles Dickens described Mr Gradgrind, the very spirit of capitalist values, who insists that everything has its price. With a rule and a pair of scales, and the multiplication tables always in his pocket air, ready to weigh and measure any parcel of human nature, and tell you exactly what it comes to.

We have our new breed of Gradgrinds cutting and chopping away at our lives. The Gradgrinds of Croydon who slipped textured soya bean protein into school meals instead of meat and said 'if it is palatable, which it is, and an economy, which it is, then of course we would consider it'.

The Gradgrinds of the Resources Allocation Working Party whose computers have decided the Westminster, St Barts and Middlesbrough Hospitals are surplus to requirement'.

Dr Rhodes Boyson, who even looks like Gradgrind and thinks poverty is a moral failing and that if children go to school suffering with malnutrition it is the job of the health authorities to prosecute the parents.

It is against the abolition of the Welfare State by these new Gradgrinds, against their philosophy of 'help yourself, because I'm damned if I will', it is now time to make a stand.
FIGHT THE CUTS

A film made by trade unionists for trade unionists and all groups fighting the Cuts

This isn't a film about the victims—it's a film made by rank and file trade unionists who are fighting back, who explain how they are organising. By linking together local victories from all over the country in one film we hope to give strength to people who think they are isolated and unimportant face central government, they write.

The film has interviewed over 100 trade unionists and has been fully re-edited into two 25-minute films: Fighting the Cuts in the Health Service and Fighting the Cuts in Education and Housing. (Free! The only cost is £4 for postage and dispatch. Phone 01-784 23263 for details.)

NO TO THE CUTS!

A play to spark the fight back

It's what they call the party line, but people the minute they come off a bit here, then a bit there, and before you know where you are there's none left. Before you know it people will fight back and you've got to convince them that's what's happening.

CAST: the socialist theatre group, have completed a chilling half-hour play that demonstrates that.

[Details from CAST, phone 01-402 8187]

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We beat their anti-union laws

May Day 1969. Supported by the print union SOGAT, the Liaison Committee called the first political strike and demonstration in Britain for years.

The Labour government backed down—but the Tories took over in 1970 and set the Industrial Relations Act on the road. The Liaison Committee continued to build among rank and file trade unionists—its third conference, in 1972, had 1300 delegates, with 324 trade union branches and 91 shop stewards' committees directly represented.

In this way a determined movement, bringing the superb solidarity during the 1972 miners' strike and the London dockers' struggle against the National Industrial Relations Court, has grown.

Throughout the top leadership of the trade union movement was involved and intriguéd, showing the need for rank and file initiative and organisation on a national scale.

It was the rank and file who, through unofficial actions and demonstrations in defiance of the court, forced the Tories to abandon their anti-union laws.

Jubilation on the mass picket as police close the Saltley coke depot.

WHEN the miners' struck against the Tory pay freeze in January 1972, it was rank and file pressure from the pits that brought about the strike—and it was rank and file support from other workers that helped them win.

The miners had picketed coal and coke depots, power stations, gasworks. They were met by massive numbers of police.

But many power workers and transport workers refused to cross the picket line—and the greatest victory, known as The Battle of Saltley Gates, was when carworkers, engineering and transport workers joined the miners' strike and forced the police to close the Coke Works near Birmingham.

The miners broke through the freeze—and other workers were able to follow. That's why, when the Tories took over the miners again in 1974, seeking again to keep down wages throughout the country, the miners were able to force them to a General Election.

And the Tories were defeated.
A year ago. The assembly point for the first big demonstration against Labour's unemployment policies...

...and we'll beat these cuts!

Stop the cuts!
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You can go to blazes...

FIRES KILL-BUT OUR RULERS PUT PROPERTY BEFORE PEOPLE

By RONNIE ROBERTSON

A Glasgow fireman and a member of the Strathclyde Committee of the Fire Brigades Union

To escape being burned alive in her blazing Rotterdam flat, a woman tramps to the pavement below...

In a socialist society, highly profitable materials such as polyurethane which give off deadly toxic gases when involved in fire would be subject to far stricter control. The criminally large number of deaths in working-class homes could then be greatly reduced.

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WEDNESDAY 4-6 December, Socialist Worker Centre, Hill Place, Edinburgh.

LEADING SPEAKERS: Alan Morison or John Evans on the Treasury settlement; Tony Cott on the women's strike; John Smith on the problems of homeless housing; Alan Morison on the STUC Congress; Alan Scott on the RMT strike.

CAST: Choir from Salford Cathedral in production of "Today's World".

Tickets £1.00 from Alison McMillan, 10 Oakville Terrace, Edinburgh.

WEST MIDDLESEX Socialist Worker public discussion meetings on the Morning of Marxism. Every other Monday at 7 pm at the RMT Local Hall, 646a High Street, London W3. Speaker: Dave Cutler.

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Action in the Unions

National meeting for all local and branch members of the Socialists and Socialist Workers.

DATE: Saturday 20th November

CIVIL SERVICE internationals meeting. Every Saturday at 8.30 pm at the SWCL Hall, 211 St Paul's Road, London SE1. Speaker: Bob Elson.

HOSPITAL WORKERS meeting. Meeting all hospital international members. Date, venue and speaker to be announced.

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LEEDS meeting for all local and branch members of the Socialists and Socialist Workers.

DATE: Friday 26th November

MILITARY INT'L. meeting. Every Monday at 9 pm at the SWCL Hall, 211 St Paul's Road, London SE1. Speaker: Dave Cutler.

DATE: Monday 29th November

STRIKES and the Revolutionary Party

SOUTH LONDON Socialist Worker public discussion meetings on Marxism. Every Wednesday at 8 pm at the SWCL Hall, 211 St Paul's Road, London SE1. Speaker: Dave Cutler.

DATE: Wednesday 25th November

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DATE: Tuesday 7th December

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DATE: Sunday 13th December

Civil Service international meeting. Every Saturday at 8.30 pm at SWCL Hall, 211 St Paul's Road, London SE1. Speaker: Bob Elson.

DATE: Saturday 12th December

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with fare fiddlers? abolish the buses

No buses means no bus fares. No bus fares means no fare fiddling. Every scheme would have added business. Finally, passengers and others would not have to report the run for buses, at least present, and would avoid existing parameters, bronchitis, asthma, and so on, a long list of the strain on our overworked health services. Secondly, people would have to walk to work. This would make Londoners healthier than ever before.

Lastly, drivers, conductors, inspectors and others would be diverted to work in the supermarkets where they could help to cope with the million of people being unable to get to work, would become unemployed.

Roger Crossley, Mike Healey, South London

How profit even poisons science

DUNCAN HALLAS is assuming that science is produced in a vacuum. But scientific workers are subject to the same sort of ideological pressures as the rest of us.

Another factor is the grant for the work they get. Money isn’t paid out for research that may not have any useful applications. Some areas of research are shut off, other areas are distorted in the interest of the ruling class.

Our needs

We can still use the same sort of science under socialism while we develop our own. We can control the technology to suit our needs.

Very true, but there is still a vast amount of research which is no longer under the control of science. Just as researchers can be directed into areas of research that are of interest to the ruling class.

In Duncan Hallas’ article in last week’s paper (Nov 6) he states that technology all goes to where it is needed.

Technology is not neutral, in capitalist society there is capitalist technology—the production of the production line which produces bombs, not the kind of bomb for others, the technology of DDT, Trichlorethylene production—which leads to people’s lives being put in peril at Seveso, the technology of vacuum and litreline the drugs which crystallize workers into not realising their exploitation and oppression.

The list is endless but the conclusion is clear. Science and technology in a capitalist society reflect the needs and priorities of the capitalist. The modern economic and technological formula for the economics of capitalism production—drive for profit and the disregard for workers’ needs, health and safety.

Dave Albury, East Lon

Ponomarev: What a mockery...

WHY DID The Labour Party invite Mr. Ponomarev to Britain? The Labour Party claims to stand for the interests of working people, and the principles of socialist democracy, national democracy and world peace.

The Soviet government represents interests opposed to all these principles. In the Soviet Union today working people have no right to strike. They have no basic civil rights. In May 1969 the Soviet Journal Pattern, the KGB, suppressed workers striking for adequate pay at the Kiev Hydro electric project.

Unemployment is above two per cent. But because it doesn’t officially exist there is no unemployment benefit. The Soviet Union has four times and its troops into neighbouring countries to prevent them from determining their own future. Ponomarev was personally involved in planning the invasion of Czechoslovakia.

The Soviet Union spends scarcely more than 30 per cent of its GNP on armaments and the rest of its resources is devoted to weapons of mass destruction. The Soviet Union is the main threat to peace and social progress. The invitation to Ponomarev makes a mockery of the Labour Party’s commitment to the principles of social democracy, national democracy and world peace.

J. Stuart, South London

Press: the black arm of Fascism

The Sunday Press, in an article discussing the invasion of Czechoslovakia, writes: "The story of the invasion of Czechoslovakia is not a story of the Soviet Union's military might, but of its moral and political weakness. The Soviet Union's support for the invasion of Czechoslovakia is an example of the moral and political bankruptcy of the Soviet Union".

The article then goes on to quote a statement from the Soviet government, which says: "The Soviet Union's support for the invasion of Czechoslovakia is an example of the Soviet Union's moral and political weakness. The Soviet Union's support for the invasion of Czechoslovakia is an example of the Soviet Union's moral and political bankruptcy."
Hospitals strike for half day against the cuts

Reading: 150 people marched to demonstrate against the bloquee in protest against Cuts last week. Earlier in the week workers from Reading hospitals staged a half-day strike against bloquees in the movement over closures at a local hospital, which closed a closure of a creche. Although the bloquee demonstration had been called by Reading Trades Council, its executive committee had done virtually nothing to organise and publicise the demonstration, so this was the last word on the Reading branch of the International Secretariat's Strike and Work Day Campaign.

Secret panel condemns 30 teachers

EAST LONDON: The suspension of 30 teachers at Little Ilford School, Newham, from their union, the National Union of Teachers, has now been made permanent. The suspension will only be lifted if they sign an undertaking never to take strike action unless they have the approval of the NAT executive.

THE teachers from William Tyndale School are now on trial at a disciplinary tribunal, meeting in secret at Court Hall in London. The tribunal has been organised by the Inner London Education Authority (ILEA). The most serious charge against Tyndale’s six teachers is that of misconduct—which means being on strike. Even if ILEA now call it the ‘strike charge’—is: that they are not just the most serious and the most important.

The ILEA is attempting to write a precedent by setting up a tribunal that can meet in private and try the teachers under the Tyndale tribunal and strike action against the use of their power of misconduct, and focus on the charges brought by the teachers. The ILEA is not trying to keep it all to way enough. There will be no hearing this Wednesday because several of the teachers are still absent. The tribunal will then meet in camera and decide the charges brought by the teachers.

The tribunal is already heavily weighted against the teachers. The whole ILEA report into Tyndale has been condemned as evidence. This is a case of a million-word report which delves deeply into the Tyndale affair and the consequences of the charges brought by the teachers. UCATT bets strikers

HERTFORD: Full-time unionists are again being asked to join the fight against bloquees in favour of blockade by working together with others in the blockade. A meeting at the blockade was held on 27th February, the same week that the conference of strike action, UCATT officials are more interested in preserving their agreements with the blokees than in fighting for better conditions in the industry. So they have responded by trying to block this struggle. But last Monday UCATT officials held a new full-time organiser in the area, David Hough, to organise UCATT to help the blockade and start work on the site.

The blockade is in the more deplorable since, only a few weeks ago, he voted with fellow Communist Party building workers to support Cuts in Reading last week.

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SCOTLAND: The 20-week occupation at Rolls-Royce Blantyre faces its biggest test yet on Thursday when a mass meeting decides the future of the occupation.

The 470 workers have put up a magnificent fight against management proposals to close the foundry and transfer work to the bigger Hillington plant, 30 miles away.

They have had financial support from other strikers, including the metal trade unions throughout the country, particularly the West of Scotland, but the one thing that guaranteed their victory — solidarity by the rest of the mass Rolls-Royce combine — has not been continued.

Isolated

The combative committee and conveners in the various plants have been reluctant to argue with their members that Blantyre has to be defended by industrial action. As a result, Rolls-Royce management have been prepared to sell out to their workers, and allow Blantyre to become isolated. If Blantyre is closed it will be a big defeat for the whole combine and for the engineering industry in the West of Scotland.

It is not too late. The Blantyre workers should show their determination. If the rest of the combine can be brought in at once an industrial action can be mounted.

□ Telegrams and mail should be sent urgently. Send to John Simmons, 54, Par North, East Kilbride,Scotland.

Strike for the £6

BUDDERSFIELD: Management at H 그것은 has awarded a 19-week strike to the 125-man Rolls-Royce supervisory workers, even though the workers are demanding their wages.

The strike was called by the 125-man Rolls-Royce supervisory workers, even though the management has refused to budge on the issue. The strike began on Monday and is expected to continue for another week.

The workers are demanding their wages, which they claim were not paid on time. The strike has been called in response to the management’s refusal to address the wages issue.

Police lie exposed

THE LIES of the police have been exposed in the trial of John Smith, a police officer accused of corruption.

The trial was held in the High Court of Justice in London, and it was clear that the police had been lying about the case. The judge, Mr. Justice Lord, said that the police had been unable to provide evidence to support their claims.

The police had claimed that Smith had been involved in a number of corruption cases, but the judge said that there was no evidence to support these claims.

Jailed unionist’s letters leak

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DOCKS

THE BILL IS DEAD, NOW WE MUST FIGHT

THE HOUSE OF LORDS and a couple of scabs in the Parliamentary Labour Party have wrecked the Docks Bill.

Our union has called a national docks delegate conference this Monday. Good. It will give us a chance to organise a fight back.

Because fight we must. The Tories and the employers have won a great victory against the dockers. And if we don't hit them now, they'll be shouting for more.

Let's get one thing straight from the start. We're not after nicking other people's jobs.

The Docks Bill wouldn't have taken a single job from anyone. Its object was to bring together and hold together the dockers' and coldstore workers into a nationalised docks service, which gives us more job security and better working conditions.

The employers have always hated the scheme. They've tried to wreck it by making dockers' work outside the docks, and trying to get non-union workers with no job security, and poor working conditions.

The number of registered dockers has fallen from 30,000 in 1966 to 8,000 today. In 1972, the employers want to stop the nationalisation of our industry — not to make more dockers jobs, but to make sure that the dockers and coldstore workers get our pay and conditions.

When we packed and blocked the Coldstore farm in 1972, the coldstore workers got out.

When we packed and blocked the Nationalised dockers' farm cold store in 1972, the dockers workers got a £16 a week rise and a four hour cut in the working week.

That's what we want in 1973. Let's make sure the dockers are part of the nationalised docks service.

SABOTAGE

Now the Docks Bill has been defeated. What should we do now?

Jack Jones, our general secretary, told us not to stop. And to hope for another Docks Bill some time later.

Of course, Jack's job is not at stake. He's a man. But he's not the only dockers in the country.

All dockers who are worried about their jobs — and that means all dockers — should be arguing the same.

By

Eddie Prevost

TGWU shop steward, delegate to Docks Delegate Conference

ON THE DAY the House of Commons finally scuppered the Docks Bill, the Tory Council at Preston decided to close down the Preston docks.

This is the first port to since the Docks Labour scheme was introduced in 1946. If the Tories get their way, about 600 workers will lose their jobs. These include 175 registered dockers.

This is nowhere else for these dockers to go, so the Tories will try to sack them.

We have sworn that there will be the first-ever sackings of registered dockers.

Last Thursday, 600 workers marched in protest through the town. They were joined by shop stewards from London, Liverpool, Hull and Southampton.

A meeting of the National Port Shop Stewards Committee was held after the demonstration. Teddy Smith, the committee chairman, told Socialist Worker:

'We felt it important that the decision to close this dock should be discussed by a full meeting of the committee. We have convened one for 11 December.'

The men at Preston, who have already supported the shop stewards committee, are looking for a militant lead from the committee. They deserve it.

The dockers they obtain, on Wednesdays, are not given by us. You don't have to look too far for the answer. Both Walden and Mackintosh are experts on television debates.

Both these tactics claimed that they obtained their support on principle. Walden said: 'Nobody elected me to vote for a Bill like that.' And I won't.' That is true, but both Walden and Mackintosh have voted for the Bill in the previous 3 Readings in the Commons. They're not minding.